(*d*) It is not considered to be in the public interest that representations made in confidence should be disclosed.

(*e*) There is no such qualification prescribed but it is undoubtedly desirable for members of a District Educational Council to be literate.

(*f*) The appointment was made on the recommendation of the District Educational Officer.

(*g*) Does not arise.

Civil suit before the District Munsif, Conjeeveram, for the revaluation of the answer papers of the S.S.L.C. Public Examination.

* 256 *Q.*—Mr. V. M. Ramaswami Mudaliyar: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) by whom the Board in charge of the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate examination was constituted;

(*b*) what the functions of the said Board are;

(*c*) whether any rules exist for the revaluation of answer papers on payment of prescribed fees by the aggrieved candidates;

(*d*) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to a civil suit filed by Mr. C. S. Sitarama Ayyar against the Commissioner for Government Examinations and decided by the District Munsif's Court, Conjeeveram, and the allegations therein; and

(*e*) whether the Government or the Director of Public Instruction make any enquiries regarding alleged mistakes in the entry of marks of candidates, who appear for S.S.L.C. Public Examination?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The hon. Member is referred to the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate scheme published on pages 410–412 of Part I-B of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 20th August 1929.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) That this suit has been filed and since dismissed is within the knowledge of the Government.

(*e*) The hon. Member does not refer to any particular case. It is not possible to give an answer to cover all cases which may have arisen or may arise.

Reorganization of the system of Medical Inspection of Schools.

* 257 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state whether the Government have come to any final conclusion regarding the question of reorganizing the system of medical inspection in schools?

A.—The question is still under the consideration of the Government.

Mr. A. B. Shetty:—"May I know how long has this matter been under the consideration of the Government?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—"About a year."

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Mr. A. B. SHETTY:—"May I know whether the proposals before the Government can be published for the information of the public?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—"No, not now, Sir."

Grants to the Provincial Boy Scouts' Association.

* 258 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state whether the Government have considered in connexion with the next budget the question of enhancing the annual grants to the Provincial Boy Scouts' Association?

A.—The question has not been considered.

Mr. A. B. SHETTY:—"May I know whether the Provincial Boy Scouts' Association has been asking for increased grants year after year?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—"We reduced the grant only two years ago. Last year the Association made an application, but this year it has not made any application."

Mr. V. T. ARASU:—"May I know whether the hon. Minister is connected with the Association in any manner?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—"Yes, Sir."

Abolition of the post of additional Professor of Sanskrit, Presidency College, Madras.

* 259 Q.—Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(a) whether any reply has been received from the Government of India to this Government's reference regarding the abolition of the post of the additional Professor of Sanskrit in the Presidency College, Madras; and

(b) if so, what the Government propose to do to give effect to their retrenchment order?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) A copy [a] of G.O. No. 1666, Education, dated the 14th September 1933, is placed on the table.

Promotion of Muslims from the Subordinate Educational Service to the Madras Educational Service.

* 260 Q.—S. M. K. BEYABANI SAHIB Bahadur: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(a) how many Muslims were recruited from the Subordinate Educational Service to the Madras Educational Service during the last three years; and

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